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The Equalization of Taxation.

That every dollar's worth of property, of whatever character it may be, should bear its just and equal proportion of maintaining the different branches of the Government, is a maxim so self-evident as scarcely to need matter to the attention of the public will be repetition.

We do not pretend to question the honesty or intelligence of our local assessors, at least not as these terms pass current in transactions in which the body politic is one of the parties.

What is needed, and all that is needed, is uniformity—equality. Nothing short of this is justice; and yet this is the one thing that is most visibly lacking.

That a speedy reform in this one respect is to be looked for, or hoped for, we gravely doubt. At the present day there is too much selfishness in politics and business to permit us to have such a delightful foretaste of the millennium.

When we come to a comparison of the assessed value of the property exempt from taxation, with that which is obliged to bear the burden of supporting the Government, the necessity for a wholesale reform will be even more apparent.

No plausible argument in support of the present system of exemption can be brought forward that will not be more than counterbalanced by the necessity for the simple justice of equality.

There are, indeed, some substantial grounds on which to base a claim for exemption. But the difficulty consists in deciding just where the line between this and other property should be drawn.

We are glad to see that this subject has at last received in our City Councils that attention which it merits. At the session of last week, a resolution was introduced into the Common Council by Mr. R. M. Evans, member from the Fifteenth Ward, instructing the Committee on Law to inquire what real estate in the city of Philadelphia now exempt, either by general or special laws, should bear its portion of the city tax, and to report an act for presentation to the next Legislature for the repeal of such laws of exemption as they shall deem unwise and unjust to the tax-paying citizens.

Mr. Evans did not stop at this point, however, but immediately afterwards introduced a resolution, which received a similar reference, requesting the Legislature to empower the City Councils to levy a special tax upon all the fire insurance companies, whether local or foreign, which transact a business in the city, the proceeds to be devoted to the support and maintenance of the Fire Department of Philadelphia.

The Sentiments of the People and Their Leaders.

DURING the first session of the present Congress, when our legislators were letting the winter pass by without the passage of sufficiently radical measures, whenever any one complained of what seemed to us a lack of nerve, we were told that Congress must act cautiously, lest it should go ahead of the people.

The doctrines which would not have dared to be enunciated two years ago are to-day are most popular, and many of those subjects which policy dictates us to avoid to-day, will be best received by these same audiences two years from now.

To-day no man can be found, North or South, who will say that he is not in favor of universal freedom. Such is one lesson which has been taught us by the stern logic of events.

severe would be strictly just. It is to-day a matter of doubt, whether we are doing our whole duty to our nation in receiving back traitors without some guarantees to serve as bonds to prevent them once more convulsing the nation.

The Climax in Baltimore.

WHAT has been prophesied and fully expected by both parties as sure to be the issue of the difficulty in Baltimore, has at last taken place. Governor Swann has removed the Police Commissioners, and has appointed others in their stead.

Now that the axe so long suspended has at length fallen, let us see what will be the probable effect. If the schemes of the Governor succeed, then the Rebellion will recover all that it has lost in Maryland.

It is idle to anticipate that, after having thus given, his decision, Mr. Swann will allow it to remain a dead letter. He will at once demand that his new Commissioners be sworn into office.

Either, therefore, a direct act of violation of law must be performed by the conservative leaders, or else the scheme of Swann will be of no avail.

An Important Decision of the Indiana Supreme Court.

INDIANAPOLIS, November 1.—The Supreme Court of Indiana, by a unanimous vote, on yesterday decided that the thirteenth article of the State Constitution called the "black article," which forbids negroes from coming into the State, to be in conflict with the Constitution of the United States, and void.

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